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Second Amendment After Final Rejection Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and in response to the Advisory Action mailed on August 20, 2003 and the Office Action Final Rejection mailed April 21, 2003 the following new claims and remarks are submitted for your consideration. These new claims and remarks are offered in order to either reduce or, at the least more clearly define, the differences between the Applicants' position and that of the Examiner. A petition for extension of time for one (1) month is enclosed herewith, extending the period of response to September 20, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.